FEEDBACK NETWORK: Mass Distribution

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SUBJECT LINE:

18 Entities Submit Letters of Intent for Community of Health Planning Grant Opportunity

Dear Feedback Network Member,

The State Health Care Innovation Plan team received 18 Letters of Intent from entities seeking Community of Health Planning grants announced earlier this month. The <u>list of entities and geographic populations</u> they propose to serve is available now for your review.

Geographic populations proposed by those who successfully submitted letters of intent per the grant opportunity announcement include most but not all areas of the state – Eastern, central, north central, southwest, King and Pierce counties, north Puget Sound, and north islands—as well as several Tribes.

The planning opportunity will award up to \$50,000 per grant to up to 10 communities to help prepare for the anticipated Accountable Community of Health (ACH) designation process and "pilot" awards, as authorized by House Bill 2572. The purpose of the grant opportunity is to assist regional planning and collaboration efforts to achieve the Innovation Plan's goals for a healthier Washington.

The list is posted and available as part of the Innovation Plan's transparent process. The ACH initiative is based on the premise that no single sector in a community can create lasting, transformative change in health and health care. For transformation to happen, clinical, community and government entities must work together. As such, HCA encourages interested parties to reach out directly to entities on the list with partnership inquiries.

<u>The Accountable Community of Health (ACH) Grant Opportunity Announcement for Community of Health Planning</u> (GOA #14-015) is available via <u>HCA's Contracts and Grants</u> web page. Please visit the <u>Innovation Plan website regularly for updates</u>.

Thank you for your continuing interest in the plan for a healthier Washington,

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